

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 294
By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jessica H. Ellis, 2003
Valedictorian of Springfield High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jessica H. Ellis is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Springfield High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jessica Ellis has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Ellis has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and well-rounded young woman, Ms. Jessica Ellis has been recognized as a 4-H All Star and a USAA All-American Scholar and has been granted the USAA National Leadership and Service Award and the USAA National Mathematics Award; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Ellis' display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success, particularly as she enters the University of Tennessee in Knoxville in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ellis' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allan and Debby Ellis, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Ellis' dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Springfield High School Valedictorian, Jessica H. Ellis, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.